Little Girl

Kidnaped

at Ashland

Police Searching for Wealthy

Young Farmer, Father of

Child, Who Took Her

From Grandparents.

Reported to House

Measure Would Cut Enlisted Personnel to 65,000-Budget 181,000,000 Less Than Last Year.

Washington, April 8.—The 1923 alleged responsibility of the companyal bill, carrying out the 5-5-3 ratio, was reported today to the Equitable's affairs at a meeting of

It carries a total of \$223,224,600, or \$181,000,000 less than appropriated last year. There remains to be appropriated in a separate measure later, however, about \$60,000,000, estimated by the Navy department s the cost of cancellation of constitutions and the state of th dered scrapped.

95,000 to 65,000, plus 2,000 appren-

389 reserve officers on active duty. Authorizes commissions for only 200 of the 535 first class men at Annapolis, to be graduated in June. Lays up 254 vessels of "nonde-

Eighteen Ships Alloted.

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Eighteen battleships are alloted the United States under the naval treaty. In rounding out a fleet the treaty. In rounding out a fleet the bill reduces the number of destroyers in commission fro 1 278 to 103; authorizes 84 submarines, all the cruisers and lighter auxiliary craft. Out of the 67,000 enlisted person-nel it provides for 50,000 for ships

Provides for the same number of officers in marine corps and 19,500 enlisted men, a reduction of less than 1,000. This number, the navy advised the committee, will be cut to 17,000 with the withdrawal in the next year of 2,000 marines from Santo Domingo, who will not re-

Representative Kelley of Michigan, chairman of the subcommittee on appropriations which framed and reported the bill, made public with the bill the following statement, ex-plaining its provisions.

Ratio Not Disturbed. ommending that no charges be pre-possible to make these heavy reduc-tions without disturbing the 5-5-3

The crowded courtroom was silent ratio established by the treaty.

reached by the conference on the limitation of armaments, stopping all work on 14 capital ships under con-(Turn to Page Eight, Column Six.)

Toledo, O., April 8 .- Shown Chicago despatches quoting Edward J. gan to tell his story without inter-Evans, vice president of the Inter-ruption from attorneys. Evans, vice president of the Inter-national Brotherhood of Electrical Mrs. Day prepared to take the Workers, as saying he was "con-ferring a curse on his workers" by highly specializing work done at his concluding the questioning of state

"sold out to the big interests."

Accompanied by his wife, Mr.

Ford is returning to Detroit from quaintance with Lieutenant Colone

Governor's Proclamation

day," the governor said.

make the kitchen as tidy as the par- chaperone. lor: paint the house, trim the trees.

way is a good investment and will I told him numbers of times that bring rich returns, both as to in- 'my home is yours." creased value of property and satisfaction derived from comfortable surroundings."

Seize Cars in Garage of

Violator of U. S. Dry Law Lincoln, April 8.—(Special.)—Elmer Munson was found guilty of
violation of the federal prohibition
act by a jury in federal court here.
E. S. Critchfield, deputy internal
revenue collector from Omaha,
seized 14 cars in a garage owned by
Munson and will offer them for sale
at public auction April 22. Critchfield stated the seizure was made to field stated the seizure was made to cover a retail dealers' license which Munson's conviction proved he was liable to pay.

Rail Commission Will Not

Attend Chicago Hearing Lincoln, April 8.—(Special Tele-gram.)—The Nebraska railway com-mission will not intervene in behalf of Nebraska grain growers and shippers in a case to be heard Monday at Chicago before the Interstate Commerce commission, it was announced today. The commission declares it has received definite assurances that Nebraska rates will not be affected It'was feared at first this case might affect rates on corn from Nebraska points to the west coast.

Naval Bill Equitable Failure Stirs London Financial Circles Expense Is

Chairman Flees to Paris in Airplane-Daily Mail Offers Reward for Arrest-Vast Sum Invested in Ranches in Brazil-Total

Carries Out 5-5-3 Ratio

Ref The Associated Press.

Illumination was thrown on the Equitable's affairs at a meeting of the creditors and shareholders, where the official receiver made ac-

es for ships not completed and of trusting to one man, considered business genius, all the power of Briefly this is what the bill does: the concern—power which it is ex-Cuts the enlisted personnel from plained he used for financial jugglery on a large scale. The receiver told the creditors that the financial com-Leaves officer total substantially mittee of directors allowed itself to intact, except for the dropping of become a machine for the registramittee of directors allowed itself to tion of Chairman Bevans' decrees.

Duped, Director Says, Director Milligan told the meeting that when the revelations began in January "we found to our amazement and our profound regret that

the stock broking firm in which Bevan was a partner owes the Equitable 350,000 pounds, for which there is small security. The sum of 450,-000 pounds had been invested in Brazilian ranches, of which little was known, and the directors had lent General Manager Mansell 110,-000 pounds. The stockholders asked whether the directors were not responsible for the firm's losses, to which the receiver replied that it was difficult to enforce responsibility for negligence unless they profited

Among the directors are the Earl of March and Sir Henry Grayson, both of whom were for some time absent from England on military service and Lord Ribblesdale, an aged peer, who married the widow Col. John Jacob Astor. The Daily Mail has placarded Europe with an offer of 25,000 francs for information leading to Bevan's arrest. Bevan has not been found

Slaver of Army **Wray for Senate Aviator Tells His** Story at Inquest

Wealthy Oil Operator Says Uncertainty Persists as to Lieut. Col. Beck Had Long Been Friend of Family.

By The Associated Press. Oklahoma City, Okl., April 8 .-Holding that Jean P. Day, prominent attorney and oil man, was jus-"The bill reported to the house tified in the killing of Lieut. Col. today carries an appropriation for the coming fiscal year of \$233.224. 000. This amount is \$193,000,000 early last Tuesday, a coroner's jury Sless than the naval estimates and returned a verdict here tonight rec-

"Three important reasons form the basis of this great reduction.
"First, because of agreements had been read, they arose, Mr. Day

Courthouse, Oklahoma City, Okl., April 8 .- Jean P. Day, weaithy oil Ford Says Union Leaders operator, waiving all immunity, took 'Sold Out to Interests' the stand at the coroner's inquest here early this evening and related flow he killed Lieut, Col. Paul Ward morning. In a low voice, Day be-

highly specializing work done at ms factory. Henry Ford said yesterday: witness, asked it Day or Mrs. Day make. The detense announced both desired to be heard. Before Day began his testimony the county attorney warned him that anything he might say, could be used against him.

quaintance with Lieutenant Colonel Beck. He said he had known the

officer since last fall. He met him through Lieutenant Kenneth Walk-Sets Aside Clean-Up Week
Lincoln, April 8.—(Special.)—Gov.
lcKelvie today issued a proclama"One day last fall," Day said, McKelvie today issued a proclama-tion setting aside the week of April Walker came to Oklahoma City with Colonel Beck, Walker had known 10-15 as clean-up week.
"I trust the week will be so spent my daughter, Doris, for some time

that Saturday, April 15, will find and he called at my home to see if Nebraska in her best attire, all ready she could get another girl for Beck for the celebration of Easter Sun- to accompany them on a motor trip to Norman. "Remove the ashes, old cans and They arranged the party and older parties is generally ascribed to all rubbish from the backyard and Mrs. Day accompanied them as the activity of C. A. Sorenson, for-

"Since that time has had the free brighten the door knobs, varnish the run of my home. I had always considered him a gentleman beyond re-"Money and labor spent in this proach and loved him like a brother.

Rain at Beatrice

Beatrice, Neb., April 8.—(Special Telegram.)—Rains fell in this section this afternoon and evening While the moisture is not needed Lincoln, April 8 .- (Special.) -E!- it will help the wheat and oat crops

> real estate news in the "Want" Ad section today

> > 17th and Farnam AT lantic 1000

by their actions.

Light Operas Reviewed. The most remarkable event in London's theatrical season has been the revival of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas. London producers long had maintained that these performances were back numbers except for (Turn to Page Eight, Column Two.)

Movement Makes More Progress

Whether Norton Will Be Democratic or Progres-

sive Candidate.

the progressive candidate for governor, or will seek the democratic imation for that office.

"Mr. Wray will be a candidate for the senate, and J. N. Norton will be the third party candidate for gover-nor," said J. H. Edmisten, chairman of the progressive party's central

Norton Refuses to Talk. despite Wray's denial yesterday that such a plan was contemplated.

Mr. Norton declined to commit

Beck in his home early last Tuesday himself when questioned over long distance telephone. "I will have a statement Tuesday

or Wednesday," he said. Meanwhile, C. H. Roper of David City, ardent Bryan democrat, con-tinued to insist that Norton will be a candidate for the democratic rather than the progressive nomination for Charles W. Bryan issued a 2,000

word statement in which he declared are meager. that Wray's contemplated withdraw-al means the death of the third party. the democrats and promised them "progressive leadership.

Bryan Is Undecided. "Will you be a candidate for gov-rnor?" Mr. Bryan was asked after the issuance of his statement.
"I do not care to say at this time,"

was his reply. The tendency to tie up the third party with one or the other of the mer attorney of the nonpartisan league, who has worked persisently to that end since A. C. Townley, president of the nonpartisan league, opposed an independent third party movement in his speech here several York during the week.

e governor and support Norton.

National Problem

London, April 8.— Revelations of 41 per cent on preferred such and 75 per cent on common spousiti such and 75 per cent on comm

Is Being Aided by Dawes

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING.

Washington, April 8.-Watchdogs of the treasury we have had, such as William S. Holman and Uncle Joe Cannon, but none whose task approached in magnitude that of the latest of the line-Representative Martin B. Madden, Illinois, chairman of the house appropriations

Where his predecessors won fame by paring millions from the budget, Mr. Madden must chop billions off the national expense account to earn even honorable mention. He has tackled the job with vigor and enthusiasm and already is beginning to achieve results, much to the satisfaction of President Harding, who believes that he can do the people no greater service than to eliminate wasteful expenditures and extravagant methods of administration.

With nearly \$1,000,000,000 of in terest on the war debt to be raised annually, it will be a long time before the government will get back to the \$2,000,000,000 budget of prewar years, but Mr. Madden calculates that it soon will be possible to hold expenditures within \$3,500,-000,000, a reduction of \$1.500,000,000 effected through the vigorous slash-

Helped by Dawes. Mr. Madden's task has been made easier by another Illinois man, Gen. C. G. Dawes, director of the new budget system, who has gone the

limit in the reorganization of gov-ernment business methods and in holding down administrative mands for appropriations.
Like General Dawes, Mr. Madden is a successful business man and has a keen eye for possibilities of achieving economies and also of increasing

Lincoln, April 8 .- (Special.) - the revenue of the government. Further definite steps were made today in the plan to make Arthur G.
Wray a third party candidate for
United States senator instead of for
find that cargoes above the decks governor, as forecasted by The Bee of ships passing through the cana were escaping payment of tolls Charges were assessed on the portion of Hit.

Uncertainty persisted, however, as to whether J. N. Norton of Polk county president of the Nebraska Farm bureau, will succeed Wray as of the cargos going through the

Thirteen Killed

Edmisten's statement was made Reports From Stricken Area Meager-Property Damage Probably Heavy.

> Dallas, Tex., April 8 .- Deaths it the storm today numbered 13, according to reports from various north central Texas and south central Oklahoma points at 1 o'clock. Early estimates of the property damage were that it would be heavy. Six deaths were reported from Runnels Texas. Reports from both places

By way of Abilene came word that among the dead at Oplin were He based this opinion upon the report a Mrs. Cundiff, her daughter, 16, and senatorial nomination, he will with-draw in favor of R. B. Howell in case the latter should be the repub-from Cisco. Electra and Lawton, Okl., remained one at each place. Lawton since 9:30 when it said efforts were being made to reach the district damaged, but the heavy rains interfered.

The storm was variously described as "twister" and gusts. In the path where the fatalities and most damage occurred, it moved in a general northeast direction, but on the eastern side of the storm the damaging gusts blew northwest.

File Edgerton Petition

for University Regent Lincoln, April 8 .- (Special Telegram.)-A petition calling for Frank the publicity department was sent in E. Edgerton of Aurora to be a nonpolitical candidate for university reweeks ago. Sorenson visited Wray at gent in the Fourth congressional dis- only to the Irish press, he said. trict was filed today in the office of Roper, always a consistent Bryan the secretary of state. Edgerton's supporter, is demanding that Charles consent is necessary. It is under-W. Bryan sink his own ambition to stood he is contemplating being a candidate for this position.

Six Hawkeye and Cornhusker Swains Answer Plea of Eastern Miss for Mate

husband for the Providence (R. I.) ing worker, am farming 160 acres might not recover.

near Clarks and am 35 years old. I Five sons of Tremblay were at miss who wrote a few days ago for have been waiting many years for tacked Tuesday, one being killed and aid in her matrimonial quest for a a con

gamble nor drink. My trade is run- girl I like to meet. It has been ning a barber shop. Have a good home and a good income."

I came back from the army. So From a Council Bluffs man: "My if you please be so kind and send

a rough neck. As to beauty there to her." a good honest living in a decent way.

There isn't much use in telling my and address of the young woman to all who have asked for the information in good faith. The city clerk required. I am most sure everything will endeavor to arrange for the nup-

From Clarks, Neb .: "Please send From Clarks, Neb.: "Please send Six men have expressed an me name and address and picture of terest in the woman,

A West Point (Neb.) man wrote:

lonesome out here on the farm since age is 27 and I am not a siss nor me her address, as I wish to write is none; not wealthy but making Mr. Bossie is sending the name

tials to occur in Omaha.

3 BILLION POINTS!

Everybody Ought to Feel Improved

Pro-Treaty Meets Banned by Chief

Third Division Commander of Republican Army Issues Order-Griffith Meet-

of the cargoes going through the manding the third division of the canal and as lumber is loaded largely Irish republican army and acting unmanding the third division of the der the executive appointed by the were slashed when he warded off recent insurgent army convention. recent insurgent army convention, has prohibited all public meetings in his area, says the Irish Independent. He declared his action was taken in Texas Storm "in the interests of the citizens," the

meetings being regarded as "creating civil strife and embitteering feeling." The proclamation affects the antitreaty meeting announced for Sligo tomorrow, as well as Arthur Grif-fiith's plans for a protreaty meeting there on April 16. Armed men held up a freight train at Templemore, County Tipperary, today, and destroyed goods from Belfast consigned to Fermoy and Waterford.

Capture Barracks.

London, April 8 .- Irish republican army mutineers last night captured the barracks at Rathfarnhan, south county and four in Callahan county, of Dublin, which the Free State troops recently occupied, according to a dispatch to the Daily Mail.

Attempts at Harmony.

London, April 8.-Reports persist attempts to harmonize the rival Irish parties. The Dublin correspondent of the London Times understands an earnest effort is being made to arrange some sort of modu vivendi between the free state and republican leaders during the next two months. The suggestion is that the two parties agree to protect freedom of elections and to employ the united military forces in discouraging lawlessness

Errors in Notices.

Dublin, April 8.—(By A. P.)— Comdant Rory O'Connor of the staff of the independent Irish republican army, stated today that the notice issued yesterday prohibiting publication of any matter relating to the army unless it was first submitted to error to the English and foreign cor respondents. It was meant to apply

Sister of Ax Slayer Victims Poisoned by Cup of Water ago. Concordia, Kan., April 8.—Rose Bachand, 10-year-old daughter of Joseph Bachand, was seriously ill

last night with symptoms of poison-ing, according to physicians. The little girl drank from a cup yesterday at a well where officers believe City Clerk C. F. Bossie is confi- the woman who wanted to marry a terday, drank poison. Physicians dent he will succeed in finding a man from the west. I am a will-reported last night that the girl

two others seriously wounded. Tremblay was also wounded but not A Minden (Ia.) man wrote in reply to the announcement which appeared in The Bee: "I am a hardworker and a good saver. I don't western man, she is just the kind of said he was struck with a hammer, said he was struck with a hammer, according to the sheriff.

"Happyland"

The Bee's Sunday page for the children is the last page of Section Three of this issue.

Officer Slashed by Crazed Woman

Of De Valera Force Wounded in Subduing Trolly Passenger Who Threw Car in Terror.

A woman, said by the police to have been crazed with "moonshine" whisky, yesterday afternoon ter-rorized passengers of a west-bound Cuming street trolley car and cut a policeman, Robert Bowers, with a knife when he attempted to take her from the car at Eighteenth street. The policeman's left hand and arm

Cop Subdues Her. The woman was finally subdued by the wounded policeman and taken to the police station for safekeeping. She gave her name and address

The woman boarded the car in the center of the shopping district, shortly after 5 Saturday afternoon, according to the conductor. The car was crowded almost to the doors pardon for her son. when the woman suddenly became violent and began to threaten the lives of other passengers. The conductor attempted to quell her and was unsuccessful, and the passengers were in terror. At Eighteenth and Cuming street the conductor sighted Policeman Bowers. The car was stopped and the policeman called.

Attended by Doctor. After getting the woman under control and disarming her, Bowers submitted to medical attention by Police Surgeon Rance and was then taken to his home, 2205 Monroe street. His condition, the police sur-

geon said, is not serious. 1.100 Men and 52 Officers

Leave U. S. Rhine Ranks Coblenz, April 8.-Six more units of the American forces in Germany said farewell to Europe today, 1,100 says Mrs. Erickson, and is in a men and 52 officers leaving Ant- critical condition. were on the steamship Cantigny. Eighty-five soldiers' wives and 28 children also sailed on the Cantigny, the largest number since the departure of the "honeymoon detachment" last May.

The organizations leaving today were the headquarters company of the First brigade, ambulance company 56, hospital company 57, motor transport company 63, service office supply company 20, and the third bat-talion of the Fifth infantry. This reduces the strong American army on the Rhine to 2,600, or one-

sixth of the number here a year WHERE TO FIND The Big Features of THE SUNDAY BEE

PART ONE. Absent Banker Elected Mayor of Davi City by Writing in Name-Page Cedar Rapids (In.) Couple Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary—Page 8. PART TWO.

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"No Dramatis Personse," Blue Ribbon short story by J. Frank Davis—Page 6. "The Wanted Man," serial by Harris Page 7. Editorial Comment-"The Married Life of Helen and War-ren"- Page 9. Amusements- Pages 10, 11 and 12. Music News-Page 12.

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Sports News and Features-Of Especial Interest to Motorists—Page 4. Pages 5 to 8. Markets and Financial— Page 9.
"Happyland," an hour of pleasure for the children— Page 10. ROTOGRAVURE SECTION.

Omaha Brides in Their Kitchen Battling Snow in the Yellowsto

Mother Conducts Long Campaign to Free Her Son

Mrs. Margaret Erickson Back From Walk to Washington En Route to Leavenworth

-Son War Veteran.

Fremont, Neb., April 8 .- (Special just keep trying and trying and ing of the first quarrels.

Both families are wealthy and are maybe I'll have my boy out soon," was the determined statement made by Mrs. Margaret Erickson, 63, who started out from Fremont on foot Kinkaid Makes Fight today headed for Leavenworth, Kan., where she hopes to secure the as Mrs. Ruby Johnson, 2121 Seward release of her stepson, Joe Anderson, street. Mrs. Erickson arrived in Fremont today on her return trip overland

from a personal interview with President Harding, concerning a She left Fremont last September, give her a lift. At Huntington, she met a former buddy of another stepson, Don Anderson, who died in France. The dead soldier's former

the devoted mother resumed her Erickson but before he had inhaled years ago millions of acres were a breath of free air, he was rearrested on a charge of forging a postoffice money order. The mother says she has taken steps to secure his freedom from the two-year sentence on account of his ill-health. He suffered gas wounds in the Argonne,

Undismayed by the red tape and delay that faces her at every turn, kindness shown her throughout her trips. She stated that she visited the father's family physician years ago, Mrs. Erickson said, and she was accorded the best of treatment while in Marion.

Her only son, who is being held at Fort Leavenworth, ran away at the age of 16, and joined company K. 139th infantry. He took part in three offensives, says the mother, and upon his discharge was held for fraudulent enlistment

Burglars Get \$1,000 Loot

From Haberdashery Store Over \$1,000 worth of shoes and men's furnishings were stolen from the C. J. Carlson haberdashery store at 1514 North Twenty-fourth street some time after midnight Friday

Employes Saturday morning found empty cartons strewn over the floor of the store and displays in disor-The front door had been iimmied with a crowbar, they said. According to Carlson, the robbery took place after 12 when the lights were turned off in the windows.

The Weather

Forecast. Sunday-Rain and colder, Hourly Temperatures.

Mother Is Frantic Here While police of three states spent a watchful night seeking the arrest of Minor Durell, 22, wealthy young farmer, formerly of Ashland, Neb, lately of Denver, on a charge of kidnaping his daughter Geraldine, 5, his estranged wife, Mrs. Bertha Durell, spent a sleepless night in Omaha. The couple separated a year ago, Geraldine was sent recently to her grandmother, Mrs. James Jardine of Ashland, of whom the little girl was very fond.

very fond.
Yesterday afternoon the little girl, clad in rompers, was playing about the front yard of the Jardine home when a big automobile drove up. One of three men sprang from the running board at the command of "There she is!" ran into the yard and grabbed the little girl. He raced back to the big car, the door slammen and the machine whirled away at high

Grandmother Gives Alarm. Mrs. Jardine witnessed the kidnaping from a front window. It took only a few seconds, she said. She gave the alarm and neighbors started in pursuit in automobiles. The chase led in the direction of Omaha, but the big machine con-taining the kidnappers dwindled al-

most to a speck in the distance, and the pursuit was abandoned.

Police are of the opinion that the trio reached Omaha in safety and took an afternoom train for Denver.
Mrs. Jardine called her daughter
by telephone and told her of the kidnaping. Theycould scarcely understand each other for weeping.

Mother Pleads for Child. From her home, 2146 South Thirty-fifth street, Mrs. Durell went to the office of her attorney, Tom Shechan, and with him to the police station, where she sobbingly pleaded with the officers to find her child. Mrs. Durell told police she filed suit for divorce last week, and thinks her husband, fearing permanent loss of the child if she should win the suit, decided on the kidnaping.

The Durell marriage was the out-come of play days of childhood. The Jardine and Durell farms adjoined. Bertlfa and Minor were the same age. They were in the same classes in school, and at the age of 17 they won their parents over and were married. Mrs. Durell cried in tell-

well known in Nebraska. to Keep Land Offices

Washington, April 8.—(Special Telegram.)—"Uncle Mose" iKnkaid, making a last ditch fight to save the Alliance and Broken Bow land offices Saturday, filed a bill in the house which would authorize the continuance of these offices. Under and went to Huntington, Va., on the appropriations for the Departfoot, excepting when autoists would ment of the Interior it has been conand that one in Lincoln. Congressman Kinkaid asserts that there is pal gave Mrs. Erickson a ticket to Washington.

Accounted by an Airedale dog, effort to have them retained. His bill has been referred to the comworry journey once more, this time mittee on public lands. Passing of to Leavenworth. President Hard- the land offices in the state emplaing ordered the boy's release on a sizes the fact that much of the land previous occasion, according to Mrs. has been settled, where but few open to the homesteader.

Precautions Taken to

Guard Liner Leviathan Washington, April 8. - Unusual precautions have been taken to guard the safety of the giant ocean liner Leviathan on its trip from New York to Newport News to be reconditioned at the plant of the Newthe patient mother speaks well of the port News Shipbuilding and Drydock company, William Francis Gibbs, who will supervise the job president's father, Dr. George Hard- for the shipping board announced. ing. Dr. Harding had been her The trip is to begin early tomorrow. a special examination has been made of the Thimble Shoals and Newport News channels, through which the The trip is to begin at dawn to-morrow with flood tide. The ship is

> hours at a speed of 15 knots. Exservice Men Are Urged for

expected to make the 271 miles from

Sandy Hook to Cape Henry in 18

Postmasters by McLaughlin Washington, April 8 - (Special Telegram.) - Last week was exservice men's week for Congressman McLaughlin. He recommended five world war veterans for postmasters in his district. Saturday the Fourth district congressman urged the appointment of Ray Surber as postmaster at Davenport and Fred Herrlein to have charge of the postoffice at Deshier. Both are exservice men. McLaughlin also recommended John T. Bierbower for postmaster at Glit-ner. All three candidates successfully passed civil service require-

Beatrice Newspaper Man

Files for State Senate Beatrice, Neb., April 8,—(Special Telegram.)—T. B. Fulton, city edi-tor of the Beatrice Daily Express and a newspaper correspondent of this city, filed today as a republican candidate for state senator from the Sixteenth senatorial district, comprising the counties of Gage and